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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 331
By McNally

A RESOLUTION to commend Beverly L. Bilter on her exemplary service as Executive Secretary for Senator Randy McNally.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is proud to have many outstanding employees who cheerfully work long hours, meet the demands of constituents and cope with the hectic pace of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, as the rain fell down during the last week of the 1997 session, we were saddened to learn that one of our finest employees, Beverly L. Bilter, who has served admirably as Executive Secretary for Senator Randy McNally since August 15, 1986, has regrettably but understandably, decided to retire and move to sunny Florida; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from high school, Beverly received an Associate Degree in Finance from Sinclair Community College, performed coursework at the Dayton Art Institute in Interior Design and completed all requirements for licensure in Real Estate through the Dayton Board of Realtors; and

WHEREAS, her first job was with Winter's National Bank and Trust Company in Dayton, Ohio, where she held the positions of Investment Counselor, Office Supervisor and Teller from 1965 through 1977; and

WHEREAS, from 1979-1980, she worked as a secretary for the Life Insurance Company of Virginia in Dayton, Ohio; and

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WHEREAS, Beverly then moved to Savannah, Georgia and worked for the Savannah Bank and Trust Company as a Teller from July 1980 to April 1981; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, she was promoted to Office Supervisor with the Life Insurance Company of Virginia in Atlanta, Georgia; she remained in this position until April 1983 when she moved north to Rhode Island; and

WHEREAS, in October 1983, she took the position of "Girl Friday" for Robert Amendolara, Incorporated in Providence, Rhode Island; she served astutely in this position until August 1985 when she resigned to move to Nashville; and

WHEREAS, this Body first made the pleasure of her acquaintance in January of 1987 when she took the position of Bill Clerk in the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Senate. From that time forward, Ms. Bilter returned each year to serve as a valuable member of the Senate Chief Clerk's Staff until August 15, 1986 when she went to work for Senator McNally; and

WHEREAS, she was highly recommended by Senator Ben Atchley for approval by Lt. Governor John Wilder to become the full-time Executive Secretary for Senator Randy McNally. In Senator Atchley's letter, he describes Bev as "very professional and very capable of keeping Senator McNally's office functioning efficiently and properly"; and

WHEREAS, Senator Atchley was absolutely correct; Beverly has performed each of the jobs she has been assigned with a high degree of intelligence and extraordinary competence; and

WHEREAS, in each job Beverly has held, she has been widely praised for her friendly manner and tireless work ethic; and

WHEREAS, she is married to John David Bilter, and they have one son, Brian J. Tate and one daughter, Tara L. Wilder; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize an excellent employee who will be sorely missed; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we commend Beverly Bilter and express our deep appreciation for her diligent and dedicated service to Senator McNally and to this Body. We wish her a most fulfilling retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.